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Dear Bill:

Anne Armstrong and Leo Cherne have provided the PFIAB's initial semi-annual report to me. Their presentation was most impressive, and the comprehensive report is an outstanding initial effort by the Board. I would like you to discuss with Bill Clark how we can respond to these recommendations and suggestions contained in the report. Anne is sending you a copy. (U)

Leo Cherne's suggestion that PFIAB independently review the estimates on the Soviet economy seems a sensible one. Please discuss this with Anne and Leo. (S)

I appreciate the time and cooperation you have afforded the Board. The report is upbeat in its assessment of the progress you are making in restoring our intelligence capabilities -- keep up the good work. (U)

Regards,

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The Honorable William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D. C. 20505

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